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In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## In the Claims

Please substitute the following claims:

Claim 1. (Amended):

A method for increasing the feed efficiency of animals comprising administering to the animals an essentially dry solid feed comprising a feedstuff and an amount of an organism that increases the feed efficiency of said animals, wherein said organism is selected from the group

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